

Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Diana Turner began employment with the South Dakota Human Services Center as a Psych Aide I on June 12, 1964; retiring as a Secretary/Unit Clerk for the Spruce units, after nearly 40 years of service; and,

Whereas, Diana was the recipient of an Achievement Award in March 1993 for giving exceptional service with a smile and the Planting Praise Award in May 2003 for her dedication, loyal service and caring work; and,

Whereas, Diana was committed to making sure the doctors, nurses and aides did their documentation timely, correctly and accurately. Diana was often heard saying "That's just good patient care"; and,

Whereas, Diana should be recognized for all the time she took with employees and her patience with employees, answering endless questions, teaching the correct way to transcribe orders, filling out lab slips, helping staff find the correct consult sheets and all of the other endless forms; and,

Whereas, Diana is known for her accuracy and dependability, often being the only one who knew what was going on, especially on hectic, stress-filled days, and she was able to make order out of what appeared to most of us as chaos; and,

Whereas, Diana has a heart of gold; her gruff and serious exterior was always seen through by the ones who worked with her; just ask about "Ginger the cat" and the nights she spent searching for her; and,

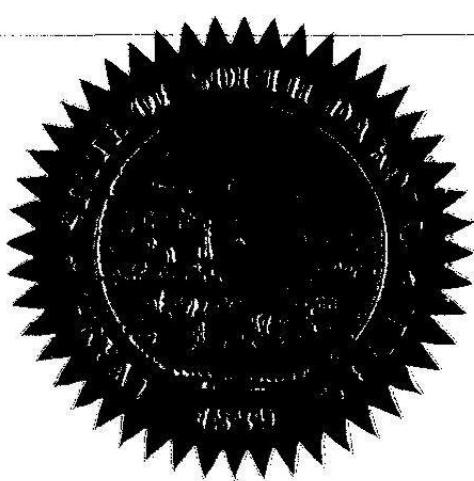
Whereas, Diana will be missed by all in Geriatrics--staff jobs were made easier because of her and staff members credit their success to her; and,

Whereas, After her June 8th retirement, Diana will be seen cruising romantically with her husband, Paul, spending time with her children, Eric and Nikki, and giving lots of love and attention to her grandchildren and searching endlessly for her carousels:

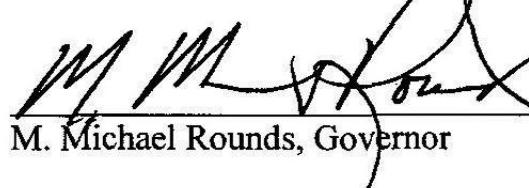
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 8, 2004, as

DIANA TURNER DAY

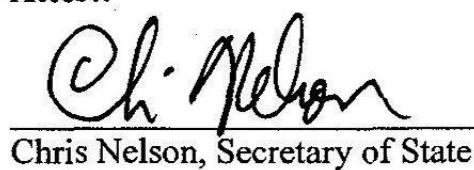
in South Dakota, and I join Diana's family, friends, and co-workers in wishing her a fulfilling and happy retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State